An Act Impowring the Commissioners of the County Courts to Levy and rayse Tobacco towards the defraying the Necessary Charges of their Counties

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Forasmuch as in the Intervalls of Assemblyes in this Prouince there have been Severall Necessary Charges laid out and Expended in the Severall and Respective Counties of this Province by the severall and Respective Comissioners of the said Counties and others for the good and welfare and Conservaçon of the peace of and within the said Counties and which ought to be borne by the Severall and Respective Counties distinctly and haue been formerly vsed and accustomed to be Reimbursed defraid payd and Satisfyed by and out of the County Leavy Leavyed and assessed by the Comissioners of the said Respective Countyes by an Equall Assessment upon the persons and Estates of the Inhabitants of the said Severall and Respective Counties But the said Comissioners of the said County Courts not haueing Sufficient warrant or Authority to rayse such Leauy The freemen of this Province in this present Generall Assembly Doe humbly pray that it may be Enacted And Bee itt Enacted by the Right Honble the Lord Proprietary of this Prouince by and with the aduice and Consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly And the authority of the same That for the future itt shall and may be Lawfull to and for the Respective Comissioners of the severall and Respective County Courts within this Province att their Severall and Respective Courts to be held for the said Countyes vpon Examinacon had before them of the Publick Charges of their said Severall and Respective Counties and allowance by them made of the same to Leavy and Rayse Tobaccoes for payment and satisfaccon of the said severall and Respective County Charges and the Sherriffes Sallary for Collecting thereof by an Equall Assessment of the goods and Chattles of the freemen and Inhabitants of the said Severall Countyes any act Lawe Custome or vsage heretofore had and made to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding Provided alwayes that the accompts of the said County Charge be kept vpon Record p. 51 faire written in a booke by themselues signed by the Clarke of the said County Court And that vpon Complaint of any person that the said Charges are not allowable or that he is overcharged or otherwise agreived the said accompts shall be Examined and Rectifyed by the Prouinciall Court of this Prouince

An Act against divulgers of falce news

Whereas many Idle and Bussie headed people doe forge and divulge falce Rumors and Reports to the great disturbance of the peace of the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary and his